Clyde Harvey, left, owner and operator of Appomattox Service Station, Dave Kress, center, station attendant and Jerry Hill, right, of Energy Conservation Products of America , Lynchburg, get ready to install the Sav-A-Mile, energy-saving device.

Gas saving device previewed

By FRANCES PAULETTE

Four York County, S. C. men gambled their life savings on a gas-saving device, the Sav-A-Mile. Using a piece of screen wire, and a thick square of plastic-like material, they came up with a unit that, tests show, when installed beneath a car's carburetor, will save gasoline, increasing mileage in some cases by 10 percent or more. The type of car and the driver will, however, affect mileage.

The four enterprising men, three from Fort Mill, S.C. and one from Rock Hill, S. C. are fully aware they face a skeptical market in which some government agencies and other experts generally are a bit doubtful about the various claims made by such so-called gas savers.

EMCO International Corporation, manufactureres of the unit, is seeking supporters by testing the device in a company's fleet vehicles.

Bernie Ellis, investor and spokesman for the Emco International Corp. said the company is pleased to have letters from PCA International in Matthews, N.C. indicating the company is pleased with its experimental results.

Just what is Sav-A-Mile? It is technically designated as a retrofit device. The unit, consisting of an insulator block, gaskets, and a wire mesh assembly, is installed between the carburator and intake manifold of a gasoline-fed engine.

The combination of materials work to reduce the temperatures in the carburator, preventing early vaporization of the fuel, and breaks down the gasoline into a finer spray. The mesh, reaching almost the same temperature as the intake manifold, creates a faster vaporization of the liquid gasoline.

The percentage of the raw gasoline drawn down the venturies -- only to be lost out the exhaust or burned up in the catalyic converter, is reduced substantially, allowing more gasoline, in a vaporized form, to reach the combustion chambers.

Emco guarantees the workmanship and materials used in the unit against defect. In most cases where units have been installed correctly, there has never been less than a 10 percent increase in miles per gallon. In all institutional sales or demonstrations, a test is conducted using the Burroughs Mile-A-Meter which shows the actual mileage before and after application of the Sav-A-Mile unit.

In testing of Sav-A-Mile, units have been on cars with 10,000 to 30,000 miles with no adverse effect on the unit or the car, so if the unit is not removed, the life of the unit is the life of the car, because of the fact there are no moving parts involved.

As for the installation of a unit, it is as easy as changing the plugs in your car. Instructions are in packages with each unit and, if followed correctly, a backyard mechanic with a basic knowledge of carburetors should be able to install the unit with little difficulty. A professional mechanic can install the Sav-A-Mile unit in less than 30 minutes.

There should be no need to make any adjustments to the carburetor--the idle screw or the fule/air mixture screw--if the carburetor is operating efficiently in the first place. Whether a Sav-A-Mile unit is installed on a vehicle or not, it is always wise to keep a vehicle's engine properly tuned to achieve top performance.

On a test conducted on a 4-wheel drive Chevrolet owned by Clyde Harvey of the Appomattox Service Station, the beginning gas mileage was 12.2 MPG; after installation of the unit it was 14.83 MPG.

The Appomattox Service Station will be distributor in Appomattox for the Sav-A-Mile.

Henny Penny Club holds meeting .

The regular meeting of the Henny Penny Home Extension Club was held last Wed., Oct. 22 at the home of Patricia Horton our hostess for the month. We discussed different Christmas ideals. Martha Watkins brought different crafts that she had made. We all had a nice time.

Next month our meeting will be held at Oakville School on Nov. 19 at 7:30 p.m. It will be open to the public. We are asking the women of the different communities to join us. We will be discussing Christmas Crafts and Decorations.

Our hostess for next month will be Mary Hudson and Edith Ferguson. They would love to have you come and take part.

Rehearsal, party honors couple

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dawson of Lynchburg entertained at their home with an after-rehearsal party honoring their son, Joel Allen Dawson and his fiancee, Miss Debra Anne Stratton.

The wedding of Miss Stratton, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly Stratton of Concord, and Mr. Dawson was an event of Sat., Oct. 25 at eight o'clock in the evening at the Quaker Presbyterian Church in Lynchburg.

Autumn colors with arrangements of fall flowers and leaves were used throughout the Dawson home and on the refreshment table.

Mrs. Dawson was assisted in caring for her guests by Mrs. Mitchell Parrish and Mrs. Floyd Samson, aunts of the groom.

Those attending were members of the wedding party, out-of-town guests, and friends of the couple.

American Legion Auxiliary holds meeting

Unit 104, American Legion Auxiliary met on Monday night, Oct. 20 at the home of the president, Mrs. Ivey Holland.

A discussion was held on the distribution of Poppy Funds which are spent on Veterans and Veterans' families. It was decided to send the following amounts to the department for the following purposes: $8.80 for Rehabilitation Program; $40.00 for Entertainment of Veterans; $10.00 for Child Welfare Fund; $10.00 for Emergency Fund; $80.00 for the three gift shops and $50.00 will be sent to the Patrick Henry Boys Plantation.

Mrs. Patsy Harvey, treasurer, reported that $50.00 had been given to help a veteran's widow.

Celebrates 1st birthday

Nicole Elizabeth Payne who was one year old on Oct. 23 was honored with a birthday party on Sat., Oct. 25 when her cousins, Cory and Bret Loukides entertained at their home on Acorn Drive. Assisting with the party were her aunt and uncle, Patti and John Loukides and her parents, Doreen and Millard Payne.

Those attending were Brian Watts, Lauren Spahr, Brian Cunningham, Betsy Wilbun, Jennifer and Mathew White, Sylvia Watts and Jeff and Jamie Marks.

Honored guests were her maternal grandmother, Mrs. S. C. Payne, her great aunt Mrs. William Watts, and her uncle, Mr. Tony Payne all of Gladstone.

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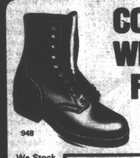
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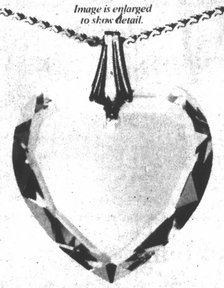
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